**Electric Vehicle and Environment (EVE) Informal Working Group (IWG) Progress Report**

**Status as of December 2012**

The EVE IWG was created following the approval of a proposal by the European Union, Japan and the United States of America (document ECE-TRANS-WP29-AC.3-32e). The mandate of the EVE IWG is to last until November 2014.

The EVE has had three formal meetings:

* EVE-01 was held concurrent to the 64th session of the GRPE on June 8th, 2012;
* EVE-02 was held in Baltimore, USA on September 13-14, 2012; and
* EVE-03 was a conference call held November 27, 2012.

Meeting reports have been prepared and are available from the UNECE website.

The main deliverable of the EVE IWG is the development of a Regulatory Reference Guide.

Progress on meeting the objectives of the group has been made, namely:

* the Terms of Reference were adopted at EVE-02 (see EVE-02-23); and
* at EVE-03, the EVE Leadership Team proposed a Regulatory Reference Guide approach and outline. The EVE leadership team proposed to develop a questionnaire that would be sent to Contracting Parties and Informal Working Group members to fill-out. This general approach was accepted by the IWG.

**Next Steps:**

* Finalize the questionnaire – Winter 2013
* Send the questionnaire to GRPE members – early Spring 2013
* GRPE members fill-out the questionnaires – Spring – Summer 2013
* Complete draft version of the Guide – Fall 2013
* Present draft Guide to GRPE for comments and input - January 2014
* Present final guide to GRPE - June 2014
* Present guide to WP.29 – November 2014 (end of mandate)